

## Announcements

### **Call for Papers for Research in Social Science and Disability, Volume 3 "Conflict and Change in the Disability Community"**

Research in Social Science and Disability is an annual volume published by JAI Press/Elsevier. It focuses on linkages between disability and the social and cultural environment. It is based upon the premise that disability is not purely a medical phenomena, but rather is based on the interaction between the social and physical environment and a person's physical or mental state. It considers aspects of disabilities as viewed through the lens of social science disciplines including history, economics, geography, political science, psychology, anthropology, sociology, demography, or closely related fields. It considers all forms of disability associated with mental and physical impairments.

The editors, Barbara M. Altman and Sharon N. Barnartt, are soliciting original, unpublished manuscripts for Volume 3, which will be published in 2001. The theme for Volume 3 is "Conflict and Change in the Disability Community." Relevant papers might examine, for example, the effects of the ADA on occupational patterns of people with disabilities, changes over time in voting patterns of deaf people, the effect of polio epidemics in creating leaders in the disability community, changes over time in social movement mobilization in the disability community, changes in patterns of blindness services since 1900, or conflicts within the disability community about support for mainstreaming.

Submissions can include theoretical and critical papers, analyses based on qualitative as well as quantitative research methodologies, methodological or conceptual papers, and comprehensive reviews of the literature. Research in Social Science and Disability will not consider medical or clinical aspects of disability, case studies, practice descriptions, or program evaluations. All articles will be peer reviewed by reviewers from the same disciplinary background.

Papers should not exceed 40 pages double spaced. Four copies should be submitted no later than Aug. 31, 2000 for Volume 3, to Sharon Barnartt, Department of Sociology, Gallaudet University, Washington, DC 20002. Questions can be emailed to [Sharon.Barnartt@Gallaudet.edu](mailto:Sharon.Barnartt@Gallaudet.edu).

The Society for Disability Studies (SDS) will hold its 13th annual meeting at the Sheraton City Center in Chicago, Illinois, on June 28-July 2, 2000. SDS is a nonprofit educational organization established to promote research on the ways that disciplines, policies, and cultural representations structure ideas about disability.

This year's conference theme, "Activism in the Academy," seeks to expand and engage current disability studies models, practices, theories, and methodologies in all academic fields. We asked proposers to consider in the very broadest sense how disability studies might function as a form of activism in the larger world and in the academy especially how it questions, clarifies, challenges, or complicates the relation between work in disability studies and the lives of disabled people.